Barry Cadden and New England Compounding Center – Advisory Letter: dated—9/30/2004, RE Dkt. Nos. DS-04-062 & SA-04-161



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In the Matter of:
New England Compounding
Center
697 Waverly Street
Framingham, MA 01072
Registration No. 2848
& Barry Cadden, R.Ph.
License No.21239

Docket No. DS-04-062 SA-04-161

ADVISORY LETTER

The Board of Registration in Pharmacy ("Board") received complaints from an lowal pharmacist and Wisconsin Pharmacist alleging that Barry Cadden, R.Ph., License No. 21239 ("Registrant") and New England Compounding Center, License No. 2848 (the Pharmacy) were soliciting out of state prescriptions for office use and using a form unapproved by the Department of Public Health and Board.

The Board has carefully reviewed the investigative reports and other information provided by the parties regarding the Complaint. The Board determined on September 21, 2004, the Complaint should be resolved by the issuance of this Advisory Letter regarding the filling of the prescription in this matter. Although an Advisory Letter does not constitute disciplinary action, this letter does communicate the Board's concern regarding the conduct that was the basis for the Complaint. The Board expects a dedicated company response and employee counseling where appropriate to insure that the factors contributing to the complaints are identified and that appropriate quality assurance measures are implemented to reduce the risk of recurrence of this type of incident.

The Board also determined that to close this matter without formal disciplinary action, the Pharmacy must within thirty days of the date of this letter cease using the

"purported prescription form", as it is not compliant with 105CMR § 721.030 et seq and G.L. c. 112 § 12D.

Please be advised that any failure of the Pharmacy to comply with any of the terms or conditions of this Advisory Letter may be a basis for the Board to reconsider this matter and reopen the Complaint.

BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN PHARMACY

James T. Devita, R.Ph., President

Date: September 30, 2004

cc: Complainant

Board Dec. No.